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FM AMEMBASSY ROME

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, IT

SUBJECT: CIVAIR - AVIATION FUEL SITUATION IN ITALY MAY AFFECT  
SEABOARD OPERATION

REF: ROME 13660

1. LOCAL SEABOARD REP INFORMED EMBASSY LATE DECEMBER 14 THAT ITS ITALIAN JET FUEL SUPPLIER, ESSO ITALIANA, UNABLE GIVE ASSURANCES OF FURTHER SUPPLIES BEYOND 10,000 GALLONS PRESENTLY ON HAND AT PISA AND 70,000 GALLONS AT MILAN/MALPENSA. WHEN THESE SUPPLIES EXHAUSTED -- ABOUT ENOUGH FOR ONE FLIGHT FROM PISA AND LESS THAN ONE WEEKS' OPERATIONS AT MALPENSA -- SEABOARD MAY HAVE TO CLOSE DOWN OPERATIONS FOR INDEFINITE PERIOD IN ITALY, HE SAID, UNLESS ALTERNATIVE SUPPLIER AVAILABLE OR ESSO SITUATION IMPROVES. ALTERNATE POSSIBILITIES ARE MOBIL IN PISA AND AGIP AT MALPENSA. SEABOARD REP HAS REQUESTED AUTHORITY CONCLUDE NEW CONTRACTS WITH THEM FROM HOME OFFICE BUT HAS HAD NO REPLY TO DATE.

2. HE CHARACTERIZED OVERALL JET FUEL SUPPLY SITUATION AT MILAN/MALPENSA AS "GRIM." HE ALSO INDICATED SEABOARD FLIGHTS FROM ALL OVER EUROPE HAVE BEEN USING MILAN/MALPENSA AND PISA AS REFUELING STOPS.

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3. IN VIEW UNCERTAIN JET FUEL SITUATION IN US FOR INTERNATIONAL

CARRIERS, EMBASSY BELIEVES WE HAVE EXTREMELY LIMITED LEVERAGE  
TO ASSIST SEABOARD HERE IN THIS CASE, ESPECIALLY SINCE SEABOARD  
HAS APPARENTLY BEEN ABUSING REFUELING PRIVILEGE DESPITE  
DECEMBER 1, 1973 NOTAM (SEE REFTTEL).

4. CAN DEPARTMENT ASSIST FROM WASHINGTON END? VOLPE

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